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side of the sepals and on the outer petals. And in this case, the peduncle is less downy than when the flower is pure white. I might multiply instances.

The real rose-colored variety, if I am correct in my general supposition, I remember to have seen in 1865, on the west side of the railroad track between Atsion and Shamong, in a hot tramp on the 4th of July. All the petals were deeply colored with rose, and they were of the narrow sort, standing stiffly up in the middle of the flower, and the color deeper away from the centre of the flower. I have an impression, also, that I have seen the same variety from the car windows while passing on the same railroad, but would not make a certain statement.

Not infrequently I have seen in hot-houses the *purple*-flowered nymphæa, in large tanks. Its general appearance closely resembles that of the rose-colored variety, except that its flowers are nearly *blue*, while ours is much nearer red. I hope for some better information regarding our rose-colored variety.

I. H. HALL.

§ 36. *Sarracenia purpurea*, L.—In the *American Journal* for August (which, owing to unavoidable delay, anticipates our July number), Dr. Gray asks "observers to note whether any viscid secretion appears anywhere on the smooth portion, below the orifice of the pitcher," of this plant. He would "expect the sugary secretion, if any, to appear only in warm weather." We refer our readers for more details on this interesting subject to the note on page 149 of the *Journal*.

§ 37. *Juncus maritimus*, Lam.—[In accordance with the following note, we find that we were in error in ascribing *J. Roemerianus* to Coney Island. Our plant has the characters which Dr. Engelmann here points out as belonging to *J. maritimus*.]

In your list of Junci of the New York flora, No. 6, p. 24, you mention *J. Roemerianus* from Coney Island. Several years ago Professor Chas. H. Peck of Albany sent me the true *J. maritimus* Lam. as collected on that same island, in Sept., 1868, a plant which I had not before seen from any American locality. Have you compared your specimens from Coney Island well; are they really *J. Roemerianus*, and do both species grow there? If not, what then is the limit of *J. Roemerianus*? Besides the minute characters of the flower and fruit, they can be distinguished at a distance by their habit and color. *J. maritimus* has a green contracted, *J. Roemerianus* a spreading brown panicle, and blooms, I believe, much earlier.

G. ENGELMANN.

§ 38. *Monstrous Larch*.—We noticed in Sullivan Co., this summer, a tree of the *Larix Americana*, Mich., from a majority of whose cones young branches were sprouting, the axis having taken on a new growth.

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